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McGraw-Hill CIG and *construction.com* join BSA as Build Boston co-sponsors and key workshop providers

With three keynote luncheons — a Build Boston first, the McGraw-Hill Construction Information Group and *construction.com* this year bring a new and significant professional-development dimension to Build Boston.

As a major co-sponsor of Build Boston 2000, McGraw-Hill also offers three special presentations on critical building industry issues:

» On Tuesday, **November 14**, McGraw-Hill building-industry economist Robert Murray focuses on "The Construction Outlook for the U.S. and New England" (it is event #A25).

» On Wednesday, **November 15**, McGraw-Hill's "Editors Roundtable" addresses hard-copy and electronic publishing in the industry with the editors of *Architectural Record*, *Engineering*

News Record/ENR, and *DesignBuild* (it is event #B25).

» On Thursday, **November 16**, McGraw-Hill CIG and *construction.com* president Norbert W. Young, Jr. FAIA (pictured above among McGraw-Hill's magazine covers) explores "The Future of E-Business and the Construction Industry" (it is event #C25).



All three of these keynote luncheons are open to all but seating is limited so register now online at www.buildboston.com or call 800-544-1898.



	Event	Location/Sponsor	Cost/RSVP
Nov 6 - Dec 31	"Work by New England Architects" — the Build Boston '99 exhibit of New England architects' work is on exhibit at the Environmental Protection Agency offices in Boston (see p. 4)	One Congress Street (10th floor), Boston	Free Details: 617-918-1101 (Nancy Grantham)
Nov 6	"Allied Presidents Summit" — BSA President-elect Rebecca Barnes FAIA hosts the BSA's annual lunch for the presidents of allied building industry associations in Massachusetts	The Architects Building	Details: rfitzgerald@architects.org 617-951-1433x232
Nov 8	"New Members Reception" — the biannual reception for new BSA members	The Architects Building Sponsored by the BSA Membership Committee	Free RSVP: 617-951-1433x221 bsa@architects.org
Nov 8 & 29	"Firm and Construction Site Tours" — the monthly program for young designers that includes firm visits and visits to project sites; this month it is Steffian Bradley Architects (see p. 3)	Steffian Bradley Architects Sponsored by the BSA Young Architects Committee	Free Reservations required: 617-951-1433x221 bsa@architects.org
Nov 10	"New Members Lunch" — new BSA members are invited to join BSA Executive Director Richard Fitzgerald and Deputy Director Nancy Jenner for an informal informational lunch	The Architects Building	Free RSVP: 617-951-1433x228 pmitchell@architects.org
Nov 14-16	"Build Boston" — the annual network of networks	World Trade Center Boston	Cost varies Register on site (see p. 10)
Nov 16 & 29	"Young Designers Professional Development Institute" — the monthly training program for young designers	Location varies Sponsored by the BSA and Gathering Pace Consulting	Cost varies For details: rfitzgerald@architects.org 617-951-1433x232
Nov 20 6:00 pm	"Working Abroad" — the monthly BSA forum on architects working around the globe; this month it is Sami Angawi of Saudi Arabia (see p. 3)	The Architects Building Sponsored by the BSA International Committee	Free RSVP: 617-951-1433x221 bsa@architects.org

Imminent BSA deadlines

November 5	Deadline for ads for <i>ArchitectureBoston</i> (the annual design awards issue); 508-790-4751 (see p. 6)
November 6	Pre-show registration for Build Boston ends; all registration now on site (see p. 12)
November 7	BSA election ballots due
November 8	Deadline for Build Boston volunteer selections (see p. 10)
November 8	Deadline for Build Boston scholarship applications (see p. 10)
December 1	Deadline for receipt of <i>written</i> requests for application materials for the Gabriel Prize (see p. 5)
January 1	Deadline for receipt of <i>written</i> requests for application materials for the Rotch Travelling Scholarship (see p. 5)
	ChapterLetter deadlines are listed on p. 1
	Building Industry Classified deadlines: every Friday at noon

For more information on any of these deadlines, visit the BSA Web site at www.architects.org (click on "News and Events", then "Deadlines")...or e-mail/fax queries to bsa@architects.org/617-951-0845.

Code change affects new commercial and high-rise residential buildings

The Massachusetts Board of Building Regulations and Standards (BBRS) has adopted new requirements for energy conservation to be included in the State Building Code (780 CMR, Chapter 13). The new provisions take effect on January 1, 2001 and they constitute an entire replacement of the current Chapter 13, which affects all new commercial and high-rise residential buildings in Massachusetts.

The BBRS, in cooperation with the US Department of Energy and Massachusetts gas and electric utilities, is now offering training seminars on the new energy code. Architects, engineers, interior designers, contractors and others are encouraged to attend. For more information about the training schedule and registration, and to see the content of the new requirements, visit the BBRS Web site at www.state.ma.us/bbbs/energy.htm or for schedule and meeting information, call/write the BSA at 617-951-1433x221/bsa@architects.org.

David Weitz, BBRS

Ed. note: Massachusetts building and other codes are available from the BSA.

Young architects tour local firms and construction sites

The BSA's exceptional Young Architects Committee is sponsoring a series of informal visits to architecture firms and construction sites. We began last month with a visit to Payette Associates and to Biogen, the biomedical research facility the firm is designing in Cambridge.

This month, on **November 8**, we visit Steffian Bradley Architects' offices and on **November 29** the firm leads us through an on-site examination of one of its current projects.

All young designers interested in these programs are welcome to join us. There is no charge but you must make a reservation so we can order enough refreshments. For reservations, write/call bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221.

Steve Wonkka, Assoc. AIA, Ray Lopolito & Diane Beckley Miller, Assoc. AIA
Co-Chairs, Young Architects Committee

Ed. note: If your firm would like to host one of these monthly firm visits and site tours, write/call Steve Wonkka at swonkka@payette.com/617-895-1000.

Architects working abroad gather at BSA

On **November 20**, the BSA International Committee hosts Sami Angawi of the Amar Center for Architecture in Saudi Arabia in this month's installment of the BSA's popular "Working Abroad" program. All design professionals are welcome to join us as Angawi describes and invites comments on his work in the Middle East.

These informal, wine-&-cheese evenings at the BSA are free and have proved to be excellent design, marketing and networking opportunities as they provide exceptional insights into securing and executing work overseas. Join us at The Architects Building at 6:00 pm on October 20; RSVP to bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221.

Estelle Jackson, Assoc. AIA, Chair
International Committee

BSA tours Cuba next month



The BSA's continuing program of international architecture tours — now in its 10th year — takes us to Cuba on two different tours in December. (The image above is Fidel Castro's government palace.) It is still possible to sign up for Cuba; for details, call 888-802-8303 or write info@architectsontour.com.

Next year we go to Angkor Wat/Laos in February, England and France in late April, Australia in May, Italy in September, China in October, India and Tibet in November, and back to Cuba in December. We are also developing a trip to Milan for the Spring and possibly Greece and Turkey in the Summer. Call the same toll-free number listed above for details on any of these tours.

The BSA's tour designers and administrators are Alain Cretin and Deborah Castellucci of Architects On Tour, which is based in California.

EPA hosts exhibit of New England architects' work

The extraordinary photographic exhibit of work by New England architects that was installed at Build Boston last year has been moving around the state since and this month is installed at the Environmental Protection Agency headquarters in Boston at One Congress Street on the 10th floor. The exhibit is the terrific visual directory of New England's finest architecture firms and it is an exhibit that is created anew each year at Build Boston.

The EPA installation is open to the public; however, this is a federal building and EPA reminds us that visitors must have a photo identification to enter the building. For details on the exhibit, which runs **through December 31**, call Nancy Grantham at 617-918-1101.

Innovative collaborations conference celebrates women in the industry

On **November 14**, the BSA's Women in Design Network sponsors an all-day conference at Build Boston. Called "Innovative Collaborations: Celebrating Design by Women", the conference is a series of workshops/seminars/presentations/case studies that celebrate the work of and the connections among women in the design professions at all levels in all roles.

Among the goals of the conference are recognition of women designers, a celebration of the influence of women's expanding roles in the professions, an investigation of changes in the practice environment, a focus on design and form-making and a forum for networking for women at all levels of experience in the industry.

For conference details, visit the Build Boston Web site at www.buildboston.com or call 800-544-1898 to request a Build Boston program.

Gretchen Von Grossmann
Women in Design Network

BSA Annual Design Awards Banquet

Thursday, November 16, 2000

Reservations: 800-544-1898

Air-rights development, the Harbor, and the Artery explored at Build Boston

During the past five years, Boston and New England have received an enormous amount of national and international attention because of the extraordinary urban-design and related projects of monumental scope under way here.

The Central Artery/Tunnel Project, the Boston Harbor clean-up, the use of Massachusetts Turnpike air-rights for new development, Boston's new Municipal Harbor Plan, the new Viñoly-designed Convention Center in Boston, the controversial development of the new South Boston Seaport District, new approaches to the development of housing, and the BSA's two-year Civic Initiative for a Livable New England are the most visible urban-design efforts shaping the region.

And each of these issues/projects/developments is the focus of a special workshop at Build Boston in November.

» On Tuesday, **November 14**, we focus on the Central Artery (workshop #A12) and Turnpike air rights (#A59)

» On Wednesday, **November 15**, we focus on the Municipal Harbor Plan (#B6), the new convention center (#B9), the South Boston Seaport District (#B28) and housing design and development (#B42 and #B75)

» On Thursday, **November 16**, we focus on the Artery once again (#C1) and on the Civic Initiative (#C35).

For more information on all of these sessions, visit the Web at www.buildboston.com...and register on site at Build Boston.



BAC, RPI and WIT stage receptions for graduates and friends (you too !)

The Boston Architectural Center, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and the Wentworth Institute of Technology are all hosting delightful receptions during Build Boston and all alumnae/i and friends are welcome. The Build Boston event codes for these receptions are, respectively, C74, B98, and B99. These are terrific parties...don't miss them.



Rotch and Gabriel prizes offer unique opportunities

If you are under 35 on December 31 of this year, you may be eligible to apply for the Rotch Travelling Scholarship, which includes a \$35,000 first prize and a \$15,000 second prize to enable young professionals to travel the world. Applications are available this month on the Web at www.rotch-scholarship.org. Written requests for the application forms must be received no later than **January 1**; write Rotch Travelling Scholarship, c/o BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109-4301 or bsa@architects.org.

The Gabriel Prize is another significant competition administered by the BSA that provides selected candidates with a \$15,000 stipend to study architectural compositions in France or its immediate spheres of influence between 1630 and 1930. Requests for further information must be made in writing no later than **December 1** to the Western European Architecture Foundation, c/o BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109-4301 or bsa@architects.org.

With questions about either of these design competitions, write/call Alexandra Lee at the BSA (alee@architects.org/617-951-1433x225).

Jeff Stein AIA

BSA Commissioner of Education & Research

Award-winning designs are on exhibit

Award-winning projects in this year's BSA Honor Awards, the AIA New England Design Awards, the BSA/AIA New York Housing Awards, the BSA/IIDA/ASID Interiors Awards, the BSA Young Architects Design Awards, the BSA/New England Healthcare Assembly Healthcare Facilities Design Awards, the First-Ever Unstamped Architecture Competition for Young Designers, and the BSA Unbuilt Architecture Design Awards are the highlights of this year's Design Gallery exhibits throughout the three days of Build Boston (**November 14-16**).

In addition, the Design Gallery includes the large-scale exhibit of work by New England architects, New England interior designers, and New England engineers — this is a wonderful visual directory to the work of the region's finest design firms.

We also showcase this year unique work by Adaptive Environments focusing on accessible design and by women in the design professions (a special exhibit created by the BSA Women in Design Network).

The Design Gallery is on the exhibit floor; don't miss it.

Zoning and building permit clinic set for Build Boston

Boston Mayor Tom Menino and the City's Inspectional Services Department (ISD) are offering Zoning Clinic+ — free 15-minute "zoning clinics" at Build Boston this year on Wednesday, **November 15**.

"Mayor Menino is committed to the notion that all Build Boston professionals who wish to build or renovate buildings or improve properties in the City of Boston have ready-access to the zoning and building permits process," notes ISD Commissioner Kevin Joyce. Architects, clients, contractors and other industry professionals are invited to take advantage of this opportunity to talk with city zoning/building officials about your current projects from high-rises to home additions in the City of Boston. Preliminary diagnostic reviews related to City zoning ordinances and the State building code will be provided.

The clinics at Build Boston will include distribution of ISD publications on fast-track housing and commercial projects, affidavit project requirements, and other material related to the zoning/building-permit process.

The clinic will run from noon to 6:30 pm in the Build Boston exhibit hall and you must make an appointment for one of the 15-minute slots by calling 617-635-5300x1300.



Tom Menino

Materials and craft explored

As building industry professionals, we ask a lot of the materials we use — keep the weather out, protect us from fire, conserve energy, convey to the world our social, cultural and aesthetic preferences and much more. New materials and new technologies continue to push design boundaries. Some of us are confident that we are always creating ever-richer environments; others among us worry that we are in full retreat to the immaterial world of our computer screens, as *ArchitectureBoston's* editor Elizabeth Padjen FAIA writes in the special issue of *ArchitectureBoston* distributed at Build Boston this month.

The magazine will be available at the exuberant *ArchitectureBoston*-sponsored cocktail reception on **November 14** in the Build Boston exhibit hall; it is 5:00-7:00 pm and all ChapterLetter readers are invited to join us for a good time and a great magazine.



Challenge draws over 400

"Pedestrians are the true barometer of smart growth," noted Maryland Secretary of Planning Harriet Tregoning, who keynoted the BSA's extraordinarily successful Civic Initiative for a Livable New England inaugural conference on September 9 at the JFK Library in Boston.

Co-sponsored by the Massachusetts Chapter of the American Planning Association, Environmental Protection Agency/Region I, the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, the Environmental Law Section of the Boston Bar Association and the Urban Land Institute (Boston District Council), this initiative was funded in large part by A.J. Martini Inc. and by the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy.

Over 400 planners, designers, public officials, Boston-area residents, business and civic leaders, and other professionals in all walks of life gathered at the JFK Library for the day-long series of workshops focusing on smart growth, sprawl and related issues.

Tregoning outlined Maryland's approach to smart growth based on 10 principles: mixing land uses; taking advantage of existing community assets; creating a range of housing opportunities and choices; fostering walkable, close-knit neighborhoods; promoting distinctive, attractive communities with a strong sense of place (including the rehabilitation and use of historic buildings); preserving open space, farmland, natural beauty and critical environmental areas; strengthening and encouraging growth in existing communities; providing a variety of transportation choices; making development decisions predictable, fair and cost-effective; and encouraging citizen and stakeholder participation in development decisions.

Robert Yaro, Director of the Regional Plan Association in New York, moderated a follow-up panel discussion led by David Lee FAIA, Harvard's Paul Grogan, and John Williams, Founder/Chairman of Post Properties in Atlanta. Facilitated table discussions focused on specific questions related to the challenges facing smart growth. Oliver Gillham AIA, Allegra Calder and Nancy Goodman were the authors/editors of the extraordinary background book prepared for the September conference; titled "How We Live: A Civic Initiative for a Livable New England", the book is available from the BSA (send requests with a check payable to the BSA for \$15.75). Proceedings of the conference will be available early next year and a series of community charters based on this conference will occur throughout the Spring. For more information, write/call Alexandra Lee at the BSA (alee@architects.org/617-951-1433x225).

*Rebecca Barnes FAIA, Vice-President
Chair, Civic Initiative for a Livable New England*

Schoolchildren design the new Boston waterfront

Through the BSA's Learning By Design (LBD) program for Massachusetts schoolchildren, over 100 Boston children had an opportunity recently to define their visions for the new South Boston Waterfront District during a special program at The Children's Museum. Funded by Adaptive Environments, the program included walking tours, structures exercises, drawing and a great deal of model-building all conducted under the guidance of LBD program director Jan Ham and extraordinary volunteers Polly Carpenter AIA, Michelle Reinstein and Monica Sanchez. The models created during the program will be on exhibit soon at The Children's Museum.

Earlier this year, LBD received a \$10,000 Dunn Foundation grant to provide children-oriented learning opportunities in three Massachusetts communities as part of the BSA's Civic Initiative for a Livable New England. We are currently designing a smart-growth curriculum for these programs and invite ChapterLetter readers to join us in this effort (because it is fun and because we need talented designers). Write/call LBD program director Jan Ham at lbd@architects.org/508-528-4517 if you would like to help or if you would simply like more information.

If you would like to support this program by donating materials (models, plans, scrap cardboard, etc.) or with financial support, please write/call Ham as well.

Nancy Jenner, Deputy Director

Award-winning designs assembled in special issue of *ArchitectureBoston*

The unusually successful first two years of the BSA quarterly magazine, *ArchitectureBoston*, has led us to plan a special fifth issue at the end of this year that will constitute a design award-recipients' showcase drawing on the BSA's 2000 design awards programs (Housing, Interiors, Healthcare Facilities, Unbuilt Architecture, Young Architects and the annual Honor Awards program).

For advertising information and a media kit, call/write 508-790-4751/rvendola@capecod.net. If you are interested in writing for *ArchitectureBoston*, send a letter expressing your interest and a writing sample to editor Elizabeth S. Padjen FAIA at epadjen@architects.org.



*LBD logo designed by
Martin Cain*

Credit is due

In the September issue of the ChapterLetter, in a story focusing on the award-winning projects in this year's BSA Young Architects Design Awards program, we failed to note that David Honn AIA was the associated architect on the Center for Holocaust Studies project at Clark University. We also incorrectly identified the photographer, Tom Lingner of Vanderwarker Photographs, who made the image used in the ChapterLetter. We apologize to all.

Building codes available at BSA

The new State Building Code, the Architectural Access Board Regulations, and other codes publications are available directly from the BSA. All may be ordered using the Special Publications catalog inserted in this issue of the ChapterLetter. For additional copies of the order form and catalog, call 617-951-1433x221. Among the codes tools available, these may be of special interest:

» **Massachusetts State Building Code/6th Edition** — This is the new, revised edition of the State Building Code published in April 1997; it is item #177 in the BSA catalog.

» **Massachusetts Architectural Access Board Regulations** — This is the official state publication of the Access Board regulations and it is available in the BSA catalog as item #178.

» **Comparative Analysis of 780 CMR: Massachusetts State Building Code/6th Edition and 780 CMR: Massachusetts State Building Code/5th Edition** — Prepared for the BSA by The Sullivan Code Group, this is an extensive, 116-page, section-by-section comparison of the new edition of the code to its predecessor; it covers Chapters 3-10 and 34 of the new 6th edition and it is item #171 in the BSA catalog.

» **The Codes Guidebook for Interiors** — Authored by Sharon Koomen Harmon, this guidebook addresses occupancy classifications and loads, construction types and building sizes, egress, fire and smoke separation, plumbing and mechanical, electrical and communications, finishes and furniture, etc.; it is item #129 in the BSA catalog.

» **AAB vs ADAAG At-A-Glance Guide** — Developed by BSA member Katherine McGuinness and Associates (A Division of TAMS Consultants), this is a pocket-size guide that compares the Massachusetts and the federal accessibility requirements for non-residential projects; sections in which the ADA is more stringent than the State regulations are highlighted and explained; this is item #180 in the BSA catalog.

» **Architectural Building Codes/A Graphic Reference** — Authored by James G. Scott and published by VNR, this 470-page book explores building codes from a theoretical perspective to enhance designers' understanding of codes history and rationale, codes administration, occupancy issues, construction types, fire-related issues, interior finishes, egress, accessibility, finishes, roofs, etc.; it is item #181 in the BSA catalog.

Benoit's "bold plan" sparks dialogue in Worcester

Let's tear down a whole section of the Worcester Common Outlets mall — including the parking garage entered from the Worcester Center Boulevard — to reestablish the old link between Front Street and Washington Square and the Union Station/East Side Area to give motorists and pedestrians a clear shot all the way from Pleasant Street to Shrewsbury Street.

That, in essence, is the proposal presented to the City of Worcester by local architect **Dan Benoit AIA**. Benoit, who is currently President of the Central Massachusetts Chapter of the AIA and President-elect of AIA Massachusetts, began working on this notion 10 years ago when he was earning his graduate architecture degree and realized that urban-renewal in Worcester, at least in this part of town, had been a disaster. Benoit has outlined what Worcester newspapers have described as his "bold plan" for business owners and city officials. He has received almost universal praise for the effort but the City has not bought into the idea yet. Benoit said his notion is to integrate several key components of the city's revitalization effort including not only the mall but the Worcester Medical Center, the City's streetscape project, the planned new courthouse and the convention center. The discussion in Worcester has begun. For more information about Benoit's plan or if you would like to participate in this urban-design discussion, write/call Benoit at walrus@gateway.net/508-421-3900.

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Dan Benoit AIA

BCDC wants to hear from you

The Boston Civic Design Commission, which reviews major development proposals in Boston, regularly holds its public meetings on the first Tuesday of each month. All meetings are at 5:15 pm in the Kane Simonian Room (the BRA Board Room) on the 9th floor of Boston City Hall; meetings are open to the public.

BSA Annual Design Awards Banquet

Thursday, November 16, 2000

Reservations: 800-544-1898

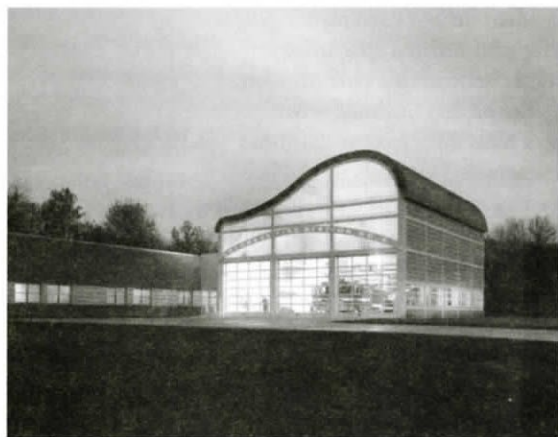
Local architects honored by AIA New England

At a special design awards banquet held in conjunction with the AIA New England Annual Conference in Maine in September, 18 projects designed by New England architects were honored. A jury of Colorado architects, represented at the awards banquet by juror Robert Root FAIA, presented an Honor Award to Cesar Pelli & Associates of Connecticut for the Petronas Towers in Kuala Lumpur; Honorable Mention recognition to Harriman Associates of Maine for the Maine Air National Guard Civil Engineering Building in Bangor, to Centerbrook Architects of Connecticut for the Worcester Bridge in Massachusetts, and to Stephen Blatt Architects of Maine for a private cot-

tage in Maine; and Special Citations to Domenic Carbone, Jr. AIA of Rhode Island for the Rhode Island Statehouse Restoration, to Nelson Edwards Cruickshank Architects of Connecticut for the New Haven City Hall facade restoration, and to Gossens Bachman Architects of Vermont for the Montpelier Capital District Masterplan.

In addition, the jury honored the 11 projects pictured on these two pages by Massachusetts architects. For more information on the AIA New England awards program, call Judith Harvie at the Maine Chapter of the AIA (207-623-1218).

All of these award-winning projects are on exhibit at Build Boston (November 14-16)



Honor Award...Fire Station No. 6 (Columbus IN) designed by William Rawn Associates...photo by Balthazar Korab Ltd.



Honor Award...North End Townhouse (Boston) designed by LDA Architects...photo by Peter Vanderwarker



Honor Award...Metropolitan Museum of Art's Arts of Korea Gallery (New York City) designed by Kyu Sung Woo Architect...photo by Chuck Choi



Merit Award...Tulane University's Israel Environmental Sciences Building designed by Wilson Architects/Payette Associates (programming/concept design — Wilson Studio at Payette Associates; building design — Wilson Architects)...photo by Brian Vanden Brink



Merit Award...The Marcia and John Price Museum (Salt Lake City) designed by Machado and Silvetti Associates...photo by Scot Zimmerman



Merit Award...Princeton University's Scully Hall designed by Machado and Silvetti Associates...photo by Eduard Hueber



Honorable Mention...Carver Public Library (Carver MA) designed by Architectural Resources Cambridge...photo by Nick Wheeler



Honorable Mention...Middlebury College Bicentennial Hall Science Facility (Vermont) designed by Payette Associates...photo by Jeff Goldberg/Esto



Honorable Mention...Performing Arts Center (Weston MA) designed by Leers Weinzapfel Associates...photo by Chuck Choi



Honorable Mention...Boston University's Photonics Center (Boston) designed by Cannon Design...photo by Steve Rosenthal



Honorable Mention...Holocaust Memorial (Charlestown SC) designed by Jonathan Levi Architects (formerly Stein/Levi Architects) ...photo by Ron Rocz

Earn free workshops as a Build Boston volunteer

Every year over 100 BSA members and friends earn free Build Boston workshops by donating a small amount of time as volunteers at Build Boston. These volunteers help set up the BSA Resource Center and Design Gallery, monitor workshops, and help staff the BSA information booth. In exchange for this time, volunteers attend workshops free of charge. There are still volunteer opportunities available for Build Boston this year on a first-come/first-served basis. For details, call/write 617-951-1433x223/mvigneau@architects.org.



BSA offers 100 scholarships for Build Boston workshops

A minimum of 100 professional-development scholarships are available for young architects, engineers, interior designers, landscape architects, contractors, facility managers and other young building industry professionals interested in Build Boston workshops. Each of these full-tuition scholarships covers the cost of a Build Boston 2000 workshop in November.

This scholarship program was established in 1999 to honor the memory of Tony Platt FAIA. Tony, who died in late 1998, conceived Build Boston in the early 1980s and remained its guiding visionary throughout the rest of his life. At the heart of Tony's vision was his commitment to broadening the intellectual and professional opportunities for everyone in the industry...especially young professionals.

For a scholarship application, write/call bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221.



New BSA network focuses on construction administration

For the past decade, the BSA and the profession in general have focused a great deal of energy on the issues surrounding construction administration. Led by Tom Payette FAIA in the BSA's early-1990s "Future Search" effort, a significant group of firm leaders devoted several years to analyses of construction-administration processes and ultimately proposed a number of recommendations to improve construction-administration practices in our industry.

It has been several years since that effort and seems to be timely to revive the discussion and analysis of construction administration. To that end, the BSA is establishing a new Construction Administration Committee and all readers are welcome to partici-

pate in this effort. If you are interested, please write to me at eedwards@omr-architects.com. We will begin this discussion electronically.



Ernest Edwards AIA

Do you need continuing-education credits?

AIA members and members of other industry associations can earn continuing-education credits in two significant ways during Build Boston.

All of the 200 workshops, lectures, conferences, committee gatherings and similar Build Boston events are certified for AIA Learning Unit credit. In addition, visiting many of the product and service exhibits for special presentations in the Build Boston exhibit hall also enables AIA members to earn Learning Units.

The Build Boston program also specifies which workshops — and there are scores of them — qualify for HSW credit.

Questions? Write/call the AIA Learning Units wizard at the BSA, Penny Mitchell (pmitchell@architects.org/617-951-1433x228).

Did you miss the registration discount deadline?

For those of us who, despite our best intentions, failed (perhaps not for the first time) to beat the Build Boston registration discount deadline on October 20, there is still opportunity to register on site at the World Trade Center Boston the day before Build Boston (Monday, November 13, 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm) or on the three days of the event itself (November 14-16, 7:00 am - 7:00 pm).

If you register on site, we recommend that you come at least 45 minutes before the event you wish to attend is scheduled to begin; you will need the time to register, find the appropriate room, meander through the exhibit hall, make a note to register early next year, etc.

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How long should you keep project documents?

Following are series of guidelines offered periodically by the national office of the AIA and by attorney Ava Abramowitz, VP of Program Services for Victor O. Schinnerer & Company:

- » Keep a project file for as long as you are at risk of being called in a court to defend your services. In jurisdictions with no special statute or repose for improvements to real property, that, unfortunately, may mean forever...however, Massachusetts *does* have a statute of repose.
- » Keep your contract and all record documents – that is, final drawings and specifications – as well as the chronological file of progress reports and correspondence at least until the relevant state of limitations period passes. Files for any project that suffered an unusual number of design, construction, personality, or financial problems should be saved whenever possible. Similarly, priorities should be given to saving files for those projects in which new building products or systems or methods of applications were used.
- » Save all documents when you are the sole source of documents; assume that your client has kept nothing.
- » Integrate documents into your record set whenever possible. For example, a change-order can be securely stapled to the appropriate page of the architect's record documents.
- » Save data that directly relate to translating ideas into design and design into construction including any notes that reflect your clients' or consultants' decisions to have you vary the design or details from your original proposal.
- » Take particular note of documents showing that your services, judgements, and decisions were in accordance with the applicable standard of care and your professional services contract.
- » Archiving computer files requires special attention. Specific procedures may include archiving a copy of the current version of the software with data files, placing back-up copies in separate locations, concern for magnetic interference, and a time limit on how long drawing files will be saved.
- » Make sure your archives will stand the test of time; fax paper, diazo prints, and some other media fade.

Among the publications currently available that may be of use to design firms as you consider what to save and what to toss are these:

- » "Records in Architectural Offices/Suggestions for the Organization, Storage, and Conservation of Architectural Office Archives/Third Revised Edition, June 1992" by Nancy Carlson Schrock and Mary Campbell Cooper and published by the Massachusetts Committee for the Preservation of Architectural

Records (MassCOPAR); call 617-496-1300 for ordering information.

- » "Proceedings of the Symposium on the Appraisal of Architectural Records Held April 26, 1985, Cambridge, Massachusetts" also published by MassCOPAR; available from the BSA for \$20.00 (\$10.00 for BSA members). To order, send your payment with an additional 5% sales tax payable to the BSA to COPAR Proceedings/RF, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109.

- » "Architectural Records Management", also prepared by Nancy Carlson Schrock, is a summary brochure available for \$2.00 from Charlotte Kroll, The Octagon/AAF, 1735 New York Ave. NW, DC 20006.

- » A bibliography of sources of information on architectural records, now available from the BSA in photocopy form only; for this two-page resource list, AIA members in Massachusetts should send requests with a 33¢ SASE to Records/Archives/RF, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109 (non-members should enclose a \$10.00 handling fee payable to the BSA).

How well do we teach values?

"We seem to have done a good job in preparing our students for contemporary practice, particularly with regard to computers and electronic media. Where we have been less successful is in inculcating values dealing with community planning, historic preservation, and urban design. Few studios deal effectively with issues regarding the public domain. Student projects demonstrating individual virtuosity invariably receive greater attention than modest, civic-oriented ones. Students perceived to be weak designers are often steered to planning programs...As a consequence, I believe that few firms in practice are seriously concerned with urban design, community planning, multiple-dwelling housing, or civic infrastructure...Unless and until architects and educators establish civic priorities, our students and practitioners will continue to view individual buildings as unique works of art and demonstrations of self-expression rather than as contributions to the larger civic environment...A great city, such as Paris or London, consists of a collection of largely anonymous but well-proportioned, well-built, unexceptional buildings. The ability to undertake modest commissions, with prudent judgement and sensitivity to surrounding context, is well-beyond the capability of most of our graduates...The principal task facing architects in the coming years will be finding ways and means to reestablish livable cities and towns and to re-create the sense of community to which we all instinctively aspire." — *David Evan Glasser in "Reflections on Architectural Education" in the Journal of Architectural Education" (May 2000)*

Did you notice these?

With over 200 workshops and other events on the schedule, it is probably fairly easy to overlook some of the jewels scheduled for Build Boston this year. Here are a few examples:

- » **Building MIT** (workshop C15 on November 16) is an unusual gathering of MIT's extraordinary team of project managers and planners currently working with Gehry and Cannon, Maki and Leers Weinzapfel, Kevin Roche FAIA and Sasaki, Steven Holl FAIA and Perry Dean Rogers and other design professionals. How do they handle this all at once?
- » **Architectural ethics**, one of last year's most popular issues, returns as the focus of workshop C3 on November 16; this is an intriguing and provocative ongoing discussion.
- » **Chapter 34** is that section of the State code that deals with existing buildings and probably is among the most controversial sections of the code, which we address in detail this year in workshop C9 on November 16.
- » **Shelter** is the focus of the renowned Danish film on homelessness in America; join us for this provocative film and discussion in workshop C70 on November 16.

Register for these and all other Build Boston events on site at the World Trade Center Boston; pre-show begins on site on Monday at 3:00 pm and runs until 7:00 pm.

Your successors need your brain...and your heart

If you are an architect registered anywhere in the U.S. and practicing in Massachusetts, consider serving as an advisor to an architectural intern who is starting out on that long trail you know so well. If you call Tom Dawson, Assoc. AIA at 508-497-2590, he can fill you in on what an advisor can do. We are also seeking to identify architecture firms that actively support intern training and, in particular, firms that have taken steps to incorporate the Intern Development Program (IDP) into the practice.

Do you have access to digital AIA Documents?

AIA Electronic Documents are convenient and easy to use...and you can have a virtually unlimited supply of AIA Documents in your aoffice now. If you become a licensed user of AIA Documents in the electronic format, you have access to more than 75 of the most commonly used AIA contracts and forms. You can install the AIA program on your Windows-compatible PC to produce the documents you need. It is the best way to guarantee you will never run out of AIA Documents again. For more information, call 800-246-5030...or for hard-copy documents, call the BSA at 617-951-1433x221.

Competitive bids made rational

Architects can get better competitive bid results from contractors, according to Columbia Construction Company's Jim Mitchell III. Writing in 1997 in the ChapterLetter, Mitchell offered a series of specific recommendations designed to help owners/clients and architects dramatically improve the results of their efforts to solicit construction bids. He focuses on numbers of bidders to solicit, bid-list disclosure, bid documents, bid period, bid day, bid time, bid addenda, faxed vs. hand-delivered bids, etc. For a copy of this ChapterLetter reprint (which is available only by mail), AIA members in Massachusetts should send a 33¢ SASE to Bid Results/RF, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109; non-members should enclose, along with the 33¢ SASE, a \$10 handling fee payable to the BSA.

Register by foot after November 6

The Build Boston toll-free registration number shuts down on November 6. So if you want to register by telephone, call 800-544-1898 before November 6; all other registration will be done on site on the day before Build Boston (Monday, November 13, 3:00 am-7:00 pm) or during the event itself (November 14-16, 7:00 am-7:00 pm).

Do you want or have office space to lease?

The BSA maintains an information clearinghouse for architects seeking to sublet space from/to other industry professionals. If you want to share space, sublet, rent a drafting station, etc., call Richard Fitzgerald at 617-951-1433x232.

Do you want residential or small commercial projects?

The new annual issue of the BSA's "Residential and Small Commercial Project Handbook" is now being planned — do not miss the chance to become part of this popular referral guide. **The deadline is December 8.**

The Handbook is a vehicle for AIA/BSA members in Massachusetts to reach homeowners and small-business owners as they begin to plan renovations, additions or new construction.

This guide includes not only a comprehensive listing of architects who are interested in this kind of work, it also includes a valuable guide on how to work with an architect and a builder. Another section of the Handbook focuses on "How to be a Good Client", an effort to help make clients more aware of their own roles in the design and construction process.

The BSA promotes the Handbook and distributes it widely. It is included in its entirety on the BSA Web site and advertised throughout the year in *The Boston Globe*, *Cape Cod Life*, and other publications. Over 5,000 copies are distributed each year.

If you are an AIA member in Massachusetts and are interested in residential and small commercial projects (defined as those with construction costs up to \$500,000), write/call me at mvigneau@architects.org/617-951-1433x223.

Monique Vigneau, Listings Editor

Consultants, contractors and manufacturers list now at the BSA

Enclosed in this month's issue of the ChapterLetter is the Fall 2000 edition of the BSA's popular Guide to Consultants, Contractors and Manufacturers. This is the 17th edition of this valuable resource and it is the largest ever.

The Guide is a simple way to find contractors, construction managers, engineers, architectural photographers, CADD services, accountants and scores of other resources. The Guide is also available 24 hours a day online at www.architects.org (click on "Publications") and www.buildboston.com (click on "BSA Resource Area"). This new electronic format makes it even easier to find the resources you need.

For additional free copies of the Guide or to be listed in the next edition (Spring 2001), write/call mvigneau@architects.org/617-951-1433x223. The deadline for the Spring 2001 edition is March 15.

"Currents" is *au courant*

Among the many impacts of the Internet on all of us interested in design and construction industry events has been the opportunity to provide timely reminders of such events.

"Currents" is the BSA's bi-weekly e-mail broadcast to members and others with timely reminders specifically about BSA deadlines, professional-development programs and other opportunities. As many members have noted, these brief bi-weekly reminders function as excellent supplements to the monthly ChapterLetter listings.

"Currents" is also an opportunity for our allies in the industry (consultants and other service providers, manufacturers, vendors and others) to keep us abreast of their most current resources by sponsoring "Currents". We invite one sponsor each month to create an electronic link between the BSA and the sponsor's own Web site. For details on this opportunity (or other sponsorship opportunities through the BSA), write/call "Currents" editor Nancy Jenner at njenner@architects.org/617-951-1433x227.

You can advertise on the BSA Web site

If you see a value in associating your firm/business/product with the BSA, you may find it interesting to know that sponsoring the BSA Web site (www.architects.org) is both easy and affordable.

Members and advertisers have provided us with extraordinarily useful information on sponsorship of the site over the past few months. There is no need to produce a color graphic or logo to represent your company...a simple line of text — a slogan, call to action, or just your company name and phone number — can be hot-linked to your own Web site.

You can be sure your own Web site — through the hot-link — is visited by those seeking employment in the building industry, clients looking for architects, professionals looking for project teammates, media representatives looking for experts to interview and thousands of others interested in architecture and the built environment in general. And because it is part of the primary navigation bar, your line of sponsorship text and your hot-link appears on every page of the BSA site.

For more information on sponsoring the BSA Web site, call/write Nancy Jenner at 617-951-1433x227/njenner@architects.org or visit www.architects.org and click on "Sponsor this Site!"

Does this describe you?

- » You're unsure about design awards program deadlines
- » Your dog ate the calendar page of your ChapterLetter
- » You need to earn continuing-education credits
- » Your neighbor is looking for an architect to design an addition (and you don't want the job)
- » Your child's teacher is interested in developing a unit on city design and needs resources
- » You're looking for a free lunch
- » You wonder why the jury gave an award to one of your competitors
- » You don't know the URL for AAF, AGC, SMPS, IFMA...
- » You have a new service or product and would like to reach the world with the news

The BSA's Web pages provide responses to these and thousands of other needs...Calls for Entries, meeting and event schedules, lists of architects for residential projects, educational resources and grant information, BSA committee details, jury comments, links to other industry associations, and BSA media kits may be the specific responses to the needs noted above.

Check it out...you will find things you didn't know you needed. The address is www.architects.org, www.buildboston.com, and www.bfagrants.org.

Would you like to be President of the AIA ?

Now is the time to act if you would like to be President of the American Institute of Architects, the representative of all American architects who must enjoy traveling endlessly around the world, having tea with monarchs, negotiating with other nations' architectural associations, and receiving hundreds of pieces of fan mail from American architects who appreciate the work of the AIA President in expanding the profits and opportunities of American architects. Nominations are now being accepted by the AIA for President-elect, Vice-President (three positions open), and Secretary. All nominations, including self-nominations, are due in March. For details, call the AIA Secretary at 202-626-7300.

Want a subscription ?

Our goal is to mail this newsletter — and our quarterly magazine, *ArchitectureBoston* — to everybody on Earth. If you are an architect in Massachusetts, you can join the BSA and get this publication as part of the package. Any other reader anywhere in the world may subscribe. For membership or subscription information, write/call the BSA at bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221.

Dues is news

National AIA and local Massachusetts chapter dues notices are in the mail for 2001. And 2001 will be the year in which a national, centralized dues-collection system is implemented. You may recall that we experimented with a centralized system for the last several years and the experiment has been of great value in determining the parameters of a permanent centralized system. The intent is to enable all members throughout the U.S. to write one dues check each year instead of one for your local chapter dues (the BSA, for example) and one for your national AIA dues.

While the national AIA begins to put the new centralized system in place over the next several months, the BSA and the Central Massachusetts and Western Massachusetts chapters of the AIA are supporting the effort by collecting local dues ourselves while the national office continues to collect national dues only for one more year. This dual system, which is the system that has been in effect for decades, will ensure that your AIA/Massachusetts dues payments and membership information are quickly and accurately recorded while the new national database is being installed.

If you have any questions about this process, or about your dues payments or any AIA/BSA membership questions, please write/call me at the BSA/AIA Massachusetts office (pmitchell@architects.org/617-951-1433x228).

Penny Mitchell, Membership Director

Young architects, small firms and mid-size firms are among this month's discussion items

Defining and promoting the value of architectural services, serving our communities, strengthening our professional networks, and otherwise becoming more effective and successful at what we and our allies do as building industry professionals are at the core of the BSA network. Among the mechanisms available to Massachusetts architects and our allies are the scores of issue-oriented working groups that constitute the BSA. For a complete guide to BSA committees and task forces, visit www.architects.org or call/write 617-951-1433x221/bsa@architects.org. Here are a few examples of the efforts in which members and non-members are engaged today. Select one for yourself and join us...and earn AIA Learning Units in the process.

» **Mid-size firms** — Principals and others working in mid-size design firms began meeting in January to explore common design and practice issues including human resources/staffing, project management, office technology and everything else that affects the way mid-size firms operate. The group is open to everyone who thinks she or he is in a mid-size firm. We meet for lunch at noon at the BSA on the 4th Monday of each month; join us on **November 27**... call/write 617-951-1433x221/bsa@architects.org to reserve your lunch. For more information, write Michael Hicks AIA at dmbhicks@dhkinc.com.

» **Children and design** — The YouthVisions Committee meets regularly to raise design awareness among the next generation of architects and clients. We work in the community to broaden K-12 students' understanding of the built environment. We also are working with Jan Ham's Architecture Education Resource Center to develop a sophisticated design-oriented teacher-training program in Boston and we help support efforts such as Diane Miller's work with Citizen Schools. Join us this month for lunch on **November 16** at noon at Build Boston. For more information, call/write Polly Carpenter AIA (617-492-8266/pcarp@erols.com) or Andrea Spadafora, Assoc. AIA (617-367-1188/ams@taylorpartners.com).

» **Young architects** — In the past few months we toured the offices of Graham Gund Architects, Payette Associates and Steffian Bradley Architects (see pp. 2 & 3), did the Crane's Beach sandcastle competition, toured the BRA, and toured local construction sites. We are designers recently out of school and just beginning our careers. We gather for career-related activities, IDP information sessions, job-search assistance, and a good deal of networking and socializing. For more information, e-mail Steve Wonkka, Assoc. AIA (swonkka@payette.com), Ray

Lopolito (starterlin-design@juno.com), or Diane Beckley Miller, Assoc. AIA (dmiller@daiq.com).

» **Preservation and restoration** — The Historic Resources Committee is a dynamic assembly of design professionals, clients, preservation technology consultants, public officials, contractors, engineers and others interested in the broad range of preservation and restoration issues — Chapter 34 of the State code, the New Jersey rehabilitation code, fire-proof construction, Lowell's Appleton Mills, urban and suburban sprawl, the preservation of Boston's historic bridges, Massachusetts energy code changes governing existing structures, the Keith Memorial Theater (The Opera House), the reuse of older schoolbuildings in Massachusetts, the preservation of Fenway Park, etc. We meet at 8:00 am at the BSA on the 2nd Thursday of each month; this month it is **November 9**. For more information, call/write Matthew Bronski, Affil. BSA (781-643-2000/mbronski@sgh.com), Henry Moss AIA (617-492-8400/hmos@brunercott.com) or Sara Wermiel, Affil. BSA (617-524-9483).

» **Chapter 34** — The new BSA Codes & Regulations Committee focuses on the broad range of critical building codes, fire codes and other design regulations that face all of us every day. We gather on the third Wednesday of every month at the BSA at 8:00 am for breakfast. All BSA members and allies in the industry are welcome to join us for these very useful discussions. This month we gather on **November 15** at noon at Build Boston. For more information, write/call Committee chair **Vernon Woodworth AIA** at avw@rwsullivan.com/617-523-8227.

» **Small firms** — Every month we focus on issues such as human resources, team-building and joint ventures. We meet on the third Thursday of each month for lunch at the BSA. Join us this month on **November 16** at noon at Build Boston to focus on how Build Boston can better serve small-firm owners. For more information on this committee, call/write Deborah Pierce AIA (617-964-1311/dpiercelam@aol.com) or Shelly Ziegelman AIA (szarch@earthlink.net/781-721-4766).

Members and non-members, architects and non-architects, are invited to taste the opportunities offered by these and over five dozen similar BSA networks of architects and allied professionals. For more information on any of these groups, call/write 617-951-1433x221/bsa@architects.org and ask for the Guide to Committees and Task Forces. (Chairs of all BSA committees and task forces are invited to contribute to this column regularly. To ensure that meeting notes are conveyed to the BSA Web site, committee chairs should write/call Sarah Lainie Smith at ssmith@architects.org/617-951-1433x222.



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"Business Boom Can Bust Staffing Plans"

is the title of an article in the 8/00 issue of *A/E Risk Review*. The article addresses an issue almost all of us are facing that relates to insufficient staff, quality-control concerns, independent contractors, loaned employees, "perpetual recruiting", contract professionals, work agreements, etc. Among the key issues here is professional liability. For a copy of this article, write/call tmullard@poolepl.com/781-245-5400 (Poole Professional Ltd.).

HUD and EPA have produced a Web site to help consumers become aware of environmental issues affecting their communities, according to a recent report in *The Boston Globe*. Log on to www.hud.gov/emap for site-specific information on Superfund sites, brownfields, air pollution, facilities use, toxic chemicals, and much more.

"The Public Process in Economic Development and Planning"

is a new booklet published by the BRA that describes levels of public involvement in the urban planning process in Boston and also summarizes Article 80, the structure of the BRA itself, and offers a few summarized case studies including the South Boston Waterfront development, East Boston, Parcel 8, and the Roxbury Strategic Master Plan. For copies of the 20-page booklet, call the BRA at 617-722-4300.

Rules of professional conduct for American architects are summarized in the revised edition of the NCARB booklet titled "Rules of Conduct". It focuses on five issues: professional competence, conflicts of interest, full disclosure, compliance with laws, and professional conduct. For copies of the booklet, call 202-783-6500.

The Access Board seeks architects. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is currently seeking two architects to be appointed by Gov. Paul Cellucci to serve on the Massachusetts Architectural Access Board, the state agency responsible for ensuring that public buildings are safe and useable for people with disabilities as required by law. The Board meets every other Monday from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. This is a critical role for the design profession and if you are interested in being considered, you are encouraged to write to Lorraine Greiff, Mass. Office on Disability, Room 1305, One Ashburton Place, Boston 02108.

Communities that work for low-income women and their families are the focus of the Women's Institute for Housing and Economic Development in Boston, which held its annual awards ceremony last month co-sponsored by the BSA. The Institute has helped build close to 400 units of housing and helped over 100 low-income women find permanent jobs. For more information on the Institute, call 617-367-0520.

"For the first time since before the Industrial Revolution,"

according to a recent report in *The Boston Globe*, "vast amounts of sewage stopped flowing into Boston Harbor [on September 6, 2000], marking the end of one of the nation's most ambitious environmental restoration projects ... a stunning turnaround for Boston Harbor... in only 15 years — a millisecond in the life of most environmental stories — the Harbor has become one of the cleaner waterways in the nation."

ArchitectureBoston is on the newsstands. The BSA's quarterly magazine, now two years old and recently honored with its second national magazine editorial and design award, has also been selected for distribution at public newsstands throughout the US. The next time you amble down the street to pick up your daily newspaper, urge your newsdealer to carry *ArchitectureBoston*.

The Classified is now Web-based. The BSA's popular Building Industry Classified — until recently a hard-copy insert in the ChapterLetter — is now a national Web-based service. This change recognizes the growing use of the Internet in individuals' searches for employment and in firms' searches for staff, consultants' services, space to lease, equipment to buy/sell, etc. The BSA continues to offer a print version of the Classified and distribute it by mail, e-mail and fax to architects, engineers, interior designers, landscape architects, contractors, clients and others who request it. Benefits of this transition are much shorter lead-times for deadlines and much greater visibility of your ads. Questions? Write or call Classified editor Thomas Eklund at teklund@architects.org/617-951-1433x234.

Are your accounts receivable? The new, very tactful BSA accounts-receivable management service described in recent issues of the ChapterLetter can be explored by calling Janet Allison, who directs this service for the BSA, at 617-951-1433x304.

New ownership transition guide is available at the BSA. Mergers, acquisitions, principals' retirement and firm reorganization in general have placed special emphasis in recent years on ownership transition in design firms. To help designers think through the transition process, PSMJ has published a "Complete Guide to Ownership Transition" that is now available through the BSA. The guide includes everything from document templates and transition checklists to case studies of successful and not-successful transition stories. To order the guide, use the order form inserted in this issue of the ChapterLetter or download the full catalog list and order form at www.architects.org, click on "Publications and Resources", then on "Resources" (it is item #236).



The "BSA Barometer" measures waterfront plans. The BSA's computer model of South Boston waterfront district development proposals is on the Web at www.architects.org/seaport. The Barometer is designed to help Boston residents imagine what is coming to this new neighborhood in our town. The South Boston Waterfront Focus Team, a subcommittee of the BSA Urban Design Committee, developed the Barometer to help evaluate specific development proposals within the context of the city's own Public Realm Plan and the capacity of this Boston neighborhood. The aim is to help inform and enhance public discussion of comprehensive city planning and development. The Barometer section of the site also includes BSA comments on and responses to the Pritzker and McCourt proposals for development in the district and comments on the recently published Boston Municipal Harbor Plan. For more information on the Focus Team, write/call Alexandra Lee at the BSA (alee@architects.org/617-951-1433x225).

New AIA Documents address project representatives' roles. Six new AIA Documents were published during the Summer including B352, which focuses on the responsibilities of the architect's project representative. Other new and revise documents include G605 (Notification of Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement), G606 (Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement), G607 (Amendment to the Consultant Agreement), G701 (Change Order) and G704 (Certificate of Substantial Completion). These and all other AIA Documents in hard copy and in electronic format are available through the BSA at bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221; the complete list and order form also is on the Web at www.architects.org — click on "Publications and Resources" and then "AIA Documents".

Fee and billing statistics are available in a new survey report. *2000 Fee & Billing Survey of Architecture, Engineering, Planning & Environmental Consulting Firms* is the title of this new, 260-page survey report prepared by Zweig White & Associates, which is available at the BSA. To order, use the Design Resources & Gifts order form enclosed in this issue of the ChapterLetter. For a full publications list and order form, visit www.architects.org (click on "Publications and Resources" and then "Resources") or write/call bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221; it is item #238.

AECdirect, a new online work site for building industry professionals, was launched recently by the national office of the AIA. You will find it at www.aecdirect.com; it is designed as a resource that delivers "best in class" services and tools to designers and builders and includes online product information from Sweet's and Architects' First Source

(MasterSpec users can link directly to this service while editing your specifications). It also includes a version of Bentley's project extranet hosting service, a free weekly e-mail newsletter on the industry, and online continuing-education programs. Check it out and let us know what you think.

Do you know how to pass the baton? In the same issue of Principal's Report, there is another interesting article titled "Passing the Leadership Baton Can Lead to Bad Blood...or to Triumph", which is a checklist for those trying to understand how effective ownership transition processes work. For a copy of this article (available only by mail), members in Massachusetts should send requests with a 33¢ SASE to Passing Baton/RF, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109; non-members should include, along with the 33¢ SASE, a \$15.00 handling fee payable to the BSA. (For subscriptions to Principal's Report, call 212-244-0360.)

Leadership skills training is now available through the BSA. "The Leaders Circle" is a new BSA service for experienced project managers and principals. This BSA service is provided by Gathering Pace Consulting, whose president — Bill Ronco — is a long-time organizational-management service provider for the BSA and others. The Leaders Circle provides a small group of participants with leadership training in a series of workshops over the course of a year. Participants work with cutting-edge leadership strategies and skills and provide feedback on each other's business cases. Each group is limited in size and includes a cross-section of professionals in the industry — corporate real-estate managers, public-agency officials, facility managers, contractors, engineers and architects. For more information on the program, visit www.onleading.com or call or write Dr. Ronco at 781-275-2424/wronco@gatheringpace.com.



"Our hobby is finding old, run-down Victorian houses and levelling them."

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Competitions/Awards/Grants



BSA Design Awards Programs (see p. 12)...**Isla Vista Urban Design** competition; 11/6 deadline; www.islavistaplanning.org or lparras@co.santa-barbara.ca.us 805-568-2006...**Rome Prize Competition**; 11/15 deadline; www.aarome.org 212-751-7200...**Municipal Art Gallery** extension competition (Rome); 11/15 deadline; concorso.peroni@communi.roma.it...**Global architecture award**/50 best buildings completed in the past two years; 12/1 deadline; www.worldarchitectureawards.co.uk...**Gabriel Prize**; \$15K prize; 12/1 deadline for written requests for guidelines to BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109...**Urban Excellence** awards (Rudy Bruner Award); \$50K first prize/four add'l \$10K prizes; 12/4 deadline; 617-492-8401x184 or application@brunerfoundation.org...**Rotch Scholarship**; \$30K & \$15K competition prizes; 1/1 deadline for written requests for guidelines to BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109...**Loeb Fellowship** nominations; Jan. deadline; 617-495-9345...**The Steedman Fellowship** in Architecture; \$20K; 1/26 deadline; 314-935-6293/fax 314-935-8520/e-mail steedman@arch.wustl.edu...**Restaurant design awards**; 1/31 deadline; James Beard Foundation (212-627-2090 or 212-620-7027x302)...**SEGD Design Awards**; 1/29 deadline; 202-638-5555 (Ann Makowski)...**Berlin Prize Fellowships** in architecture and other disciplines; 2/1 deadline; 212-588-1755/fax 212-588-1758 (The American Academy in Berlin, New York City)...**Art and Architecture Award** (Henry Hering Medal/National Sculpture Society); for architects, LAs, building owners, sculptors; 3/1 deadline; 212-764-5645/www.nationalsculpture.org...**Historic preservation grants**; Mass. Historical Commission grants program/ \$300,000; www.magnet.state.ma.us/sec/mbc or 617-727-8470...**Predevelopment Assistance Program** funds to support early-stage economic development projects in Massachusetts; rolling deadlines; 800-445-8030 (Mass. Development Finance Agency)...**Victorian-era buildings** (exteriors or interiors), public places, open spaces, etc.; Jack Grinold, 48 Greycliff Rd., Brighton MA 02135...**AIA Honors & Awards Programs** including the Gold Medal, Kemper Award, Whitney Young Citation, Honorary AIA Membership, Design Honor Awards, 25-Year Award, Urban Design Awards, AIA College of Fellows, Honorary Fellowship, Thomas Jefferson Awards for Public Architecture, Young Architects Citation, Library Building Awards, Institute Honors, Architecture Firm Award, Henry Bacon Medal, Topaz Medallion for Education, Brick in Architecture Awards, Interior Architecture Awards, Concrete Masonry Design Awards, Cedar Design Awards, etc.; deadlines vary; 617-951-1433 x221 (ask for the Annual Awards Schedule)...**Minority/Disadvantaged Scholarship Program**; annual AIA/AAF Scholarships; 202-626-7511 (Mary Felber)...**Aga Khan Award**,

Program Procedures, 32 chemin des Crets-de-Pregny, CH-1218 Grand Saconnex, Geneva, Switzerland (\$500K in prizes; rolling deadlines)...**AIAS student competitions**; programs & deadlines vary; 202-626-7472...**NIAE student competitions**; 212-924-7000...**Fulbright grants** for architects and urban planners; www.iie.org/cies; 202-686-4000 (fax 202-362-3442)...**NEA design project grants & individual grants/fellowships** (up to \$20K) for designers; 202-682-5437...**The MacDowell Colony** Residency for architects; 1/15, 4/15 & 9/15 seasonal deadlines; 603-924-3886/www.macdowellcolony.org...For details on the American Architectural Foundation Richard Morris Hunt Fellowship and numerous AIA-related fellowships and scholarships for minorities/disadvantaged individuals, professional degree candidates, health facilities design, research, and other purposes, including The RTKL Traveling Fellowship, call 202-626-7511 and, for the AIA/AHA Fellowship in Health Facilities Design, call 202-626-7429.

Workshops/Conferences



Build Boston 2000; 11/14-16; 200 workshops/award-winning designs exhibit/350 product exhibits; 800-544-1898/www.buildboston.com (see pp. 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12 & 24)...**Feng Shui** workshop; 11/4-5, Harvard Divinity School; 617-739-6717...**"Teaching Boston History"** workshops; 11/14 & 12/10 (student writing past & present); 11/4 & 1/20 (Mass. Constitution and equal-rights struggle); The Bostonian Society; 617-720-1713x25...**Surface Preparation Tradeshow**; metal finishing for designers and contractors; 11/8, Cambridge; 617-666-9090 (Allan Chasen)...**Environmental Design/World Congress** for the New Millennium; 11/8-22, Seoul; www.millenniumED.org...**Sustainability conferences**: "Business for Social Responsibility" (NYC, 11/8-10, conference2000@bsr.org); "Ecological Cities Conference" (BC Law School, 11/10-11, 617-552-1473/www.bc.edu/bc_org/research/watershed)...**AIA Puerto Rico Convention**; 11/30-12/3; 787-725-7434...**Historic Preservation** courses; Campbell Center, Illinois; May-Oct; 815-244-1173...**Fine woodworking**, ornamental carving and other workshops; through 12/00, Boston; North Bennet Street School (www.nbs.org/617-227-0155)...**Urban Management**; through 12/15, Milan; 011-39-02-47719155/info@domac.it (Domus Academy)...**Northeastern University Center for Continuing Education Building Design and Management** courses; 617-320-8000...**Wentworth Institute of Technology** professional and continuing studies programs; 617-442-9010x446...**BAC continuing ed.** programs; 617-536-3170...**GSD professional development** program; 617-495-1680...**Jewish Vocational Service** career, job-hunting and related workshops; 617-965-7940...**Women's Educational and Industrial Union** ca-

reer services workshops and other services on job-hunting and other career issues; 617-536-5657...**BU Program for Real Estate Studies**; 617-353-3013.

Exhibits/Lectures/Tours



BSA exhibits (see pp. 2, 4 & 5)...**BSA design tours** (see p. 3)...**Land-use policy** lecture series; land as a tax base (11/6); forms of suburban space (12/7); Lincoln Institute of Land Policy; 617-661-3016 x127...**Boston history** lecture series: Jewish immigrant women and the Boston experience (11/8); the revolutionary world of Abigail Adams (11/16); Bostonian Society; 617-720-1713...**Cambridge history** programs: John Langdon Sibley's life and times (11/12); field trip to FLW's Zimmerman House (12/2); Cambridge Historical Society; 617-547-4252...**MIT lectures**: Calatrava (11/7 & 12/5), Charles Correa (11/21), Nada Beros (11/28); 617-253-4412/annesim@mit.edu; also Aga Khan Program lectures on medieval Islamic art (11/13), the mosque institution in Malaysia (11/20) and medieval Jerba (12/4); 617-253-1400/akpiarch@mit.edu...**Archaeology** lectures, tours, etc.; through Nov.; 617-727-9268 (Mary Collins) or 617-727-8470 (Ann-Eliza Lewis)...**Boston By Foot** Annual Awards Reception; 11/28, Old South Meeting House; 617-367-2345/www.bostonbyfoot.com...**AIA Maine** Annual Meeting (12/6) and Building Industry Dinner (12/13); 207-623-1218...**SPNEA** programs & Gropius House tours (year-round); 617-227-3956...**MIT Museum** exhibit of the work of Doc Edgerton; 617-253-4405...**Historic architectural drawings** exhibit at the Library of Congress; 800-551-7328... "The Four Shapes of Boston," a slide-lecture on **Boston's architectural history** available to rent (with speaker); 617-367-2345...**Art & architecture tours** of the BPL; 617-536-400x212...**Black Heritage Trail** (year-round; 617-742-5415)...**Freedom Trail Tours** (Apr.-Nov.; 617-242-5642)...**Historic Shirley-Eustis House** tours; Jun.-Oct, Boston; 617-442-2275...**Walking Tours of Jamaica Plain**; Jun.-Sep.; 617-524-5992.

Community/Professional Opportunities



"**Learning By Design** in Massachusetts"; BSA partnership with school-based program; architects encouraged to call/write 617-951-1433x227/njenner@architects.org...**Universal Design** theories and applications conference call for papers; proposals due 11/30; fax 212-217-7910 or dkoslin@fitsuny.edu...**Design professionals** sought for Boston Learning Society seminars in Needham (a BSA partnership program); 781-453-9800...**Teachers/Practitioners**: the BAC is seeking instructors in the decorative arts, wood-frame construction, mechanical/electrical

A schedule of annual BSA, AIA New England, & national AIA design awards programs is available on the very cool BSA Web site at www.architects.org (click on News and Events, then Honors and Awards) or call 617-951-1433x221

Competitions magazine reports regularly on competition results and related information; for a subscription, call 502-451-3623

systems, materials, methods and contract documents, structures (many of these related to the A.R.E.); 617-536-3170x258 ...The Boston Museum of Science is looking for professionals to **teach problem-solving**, computer applications, your favorite interdisciplinary topics, and a variety of other courses; call 617-589-0364 (Brent Jackson)...Wentworth Institute is **seeking constructive and compassionate architects** to serve as design critics; call Herb Fremin at 617-442-9010x425.

Publication Opportunities



ArchitectureBoston, the BSA quarterly magazine; for editorial and advertising requirements, call/write Nancy Jenner at 617-951-1433x227/njenner@architects.org ...Robert Campbell FAIA would like to publish BSA members' **residential work** in the *Globe*; mail materials directly to Campbell, 54 Antrim St., Cambridge MA 02139 (fax: 617-576-4784)...**Boston Herald** critic David Eisen is seeking BSA members' work on housing, interiors, urban design, great public projects, tiny private retreats, etc.; mail non-returnable information to Eisen at 119 Braintree St., Boston 02134...**Banker & Tradesman** architecture critic Jeff Stein AIA welcomes story ideas; suggestions should be e-mailed to him at steinj@wit.edu...**Banker & Tradesman** is also seeking BSA members to write technical, informational, trend and opinion articles for its monthly commercial section and its quarterly mag-

azine, "Structures"; call Tim DeFeo at 617-428-5100x353...**Residential projects using copper** (by BSA members) are being sought for inclusion in a special coffee-table publication of the International Copper Association in Argentina and Uruguay; for submission information, call David Hunt at 800-448-1776x2474 ...**Small, well-designed houses** designed by AIA members in Massachusetts are being sought for a new book titled *Not So Big House Design Book*; call 800-926-8776x449 (Steve Culpepper, The Taunton Press)...*The Classicist*, the journal of the Institute for the Study of Classical Architecture, is seeking papers and/or examples of **work done in the Classical manner**; 212-681-2761...**Visual Architecture/Boston** seeks BSA members' work to publish at no cost; 978-692-8999x349...BSA members' "**superb home or living community projects**" unpublished and less than two years old are sought; send color photos, floor plans and a project description to Susan Barror, Editor, Hanley-Wood Publications, Suite 600, One Thomas Circle NW, Washington DC, 20005 ..."**Building Business**", the *Inc.* magazine series on corporate architecture, seeks BSA members' recommendations of clients for this program (which promotes good design); 617-350-7097 (Peter Lawrence)...**Homes designed by BSA members** in the last 10 years are sought for inclusion in a new book called *The New Family Home*; Jim Tolpin, POB 1933, Port Townsend WA 98368; tolpin@olympus.net...**Before & After**, the home-renovation TV series, is seeking BSA

members' before-&-after photos of completed remodeling projects; 612-835-4455 (Rachel Baer or Dana Ritter)...**residential architect magazine** is seeking BSA members' residential design details for publication; call or write Rick Vitullo AIA (410-923-1140/fax 410-923-3827/e-mail olstudio@aol.com)...**Architecture magazine** is seeking BSA members' projects under 1,000 s.f. of extremely high design and construction quality for possible publication; work must have been completed after 7/96; send photographs and drawings to Reed Kroloff, *Architecture*, 1515 Broadway (11th Floor), NYC 10036...**BSA members' home office designs** are being sought for publication in *Home Office Computing* magazine; for details call 301-654-1988/fax 301-654-1994/e-mail alvin@al.net...**idiotEXT** design journal invites BSA members to submit **competition projects for publication**; 617-482-6958 (Jordan Williams)...*Places*, the quarterly journal edited by Donlyn Lyndon, invites submissions of articles related to **sustainable design**; 718-399-6090 for details...The Hardwood Manufacturers Association is seeking professional photography showing the **use of solid U.S. hardwoods** in furniture, flooring, kitchen cabinets, or decorative wood-working to illustrate in various publications the use of American hardwoods; call Susan Regan at 412-829-0770...**Energy-efficient designs** are being sought for a new book on alternative architecture; for details, call Alfred Kemper (909-920-9753).

Designer-selection laws reconfirmed

(*The following is a letter mailed in July to municipalities throughout Massachusetts.*) It has come to our attention that, as a result of a recent Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court case involving the Town of Norwell, a letter has been sent by a Boston law firm to superintendents of local school districts. The letter presents the firm's interpretation of the Court's decision as "allow[ing] price procurement of professional services if required by a local by-law...Designers can now, if by-laws so required, submit bids for professional work and price will be a major factor in the selection."

This interpretation is contrary to the policy established by the Ward Commission and to the practice followed since its inception by the Massachusetts Designer Selection Board. By statute, price is NOT allowed to be a consideration in the selection of designers; selections are based solely upon qualifications.

James H. Crissman FAIA, Chairman
Massachusetts Designer Selection Board

Architects aid the cause

Thanks in part to the outreach efforts of the Boston Society of Architects, more and more architects are finding out about the Building Materials Resource Center and encouraging their clients to donate

surplus and good-quality used building materials to us instead of shipping them off to a landfill. At least one design firm has incorporated a "re-use" clause in the job specifications it gives to clients.

We wish to commend especially the architects listed here who have become involved with this effort to recycle building materials either by referring their clients to us, writing our role into standard construction specs, or lending financial support: ADD Inc, David Amory Architects, Berg/Howland Architects, Blake Allison Architects, Edward Bing Architects, T. Chalmers Architects, Classic Restorations, ETJ&A Architects, Elton & Associates, Gerard Ives Architects, Gorman Richardson Architects, JCA Architects, LDA Architects, Next Phase Studios Architects, Anthony Pangaro/Architect, Payette Associates, Payne Bouchier, ER Racek Architects, Rosenbaum Architects, Rover Architects and the construction firm of Shawmut Design and Construction.

Please join your colleagues and us as we attempt to increase significantly the reuse of building materials as a major step toward sustainable design and construction. For details, call me at 617-442-8917.

Meg Perkins
Building Materials Resource Center, Boston

Board seeks architects

Do you want to contribute to your community? Make a difference in the lives of countless children in the Boston area? Then we've got an opportunity for you. Camp Fire Boys and Girls is a co-ed youth organization serving thousands of young people in communities throughout the Greater Boston area and beyond. Our mission is to build caring, confident youth and future leaders. We work with after-school programs and volunteers to deliver youth-development and community education programming. We also have a long history of camping and operate two local daycamps at the Franklin Park Zoo and Hale Reservation in Westwood and a resident camp in the Berkshires.

Camp Fire's resident camp, Nawaka, is in the early stages of a campaign to rebuild its facilities including the campers' cabins. Having a board member with a knowledge of architecture would aid us in making informed decisions about the renovations. Our board meets monthly in the North End. We hope the architects reading this in Boston will consider this invitation to serve on our Board of Directors. For more information, please call/write me at 617-523-6006x28/cbeautoin@campfire-emass.org.

Cynthia Beaudoin, Executive Director
Camp Fire Boys and Girls

Azerbaijan architects seek work in Boston

I am a 46-year-old architect with extensive experience in archaeological excavations of historical monuments and in research. I have published numerous articles on early architecture in Azerbaijan. I speak Turkish, Russian and English. My wife is also an architect. With our son, we wish to move to the U.S. where the rights and freedom of the individual are a priority. We hope to devote our intellectual and design potential to such a place. We hope you will correspond with us about this desire to come to the U.S. I can be reached at mubariz2000@mail.ru. Thank you for your thoughts and consideration.

Mubariz Azimov

People

Peter Wiederspahn AIA and his work were the subject of a special exhibit in September at the University of Tennessee... **Tsoi/Kobus & Associates** has been named "2000 Small Business of the Year" by the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce, an honor that follows hard on the firm's recent recognition by *Architectural Record* as one of the nation's "Best-Managed Design Firms"... **Mario Torroella AIA** is also a painter and his work recently was highlighted in a one-person show at Ars Atelier in New Jersey and in a group show at Gallery Bershad in Somerville; **HMFH** also reports that its Web site has been honored with a design award by SMPS Boston and its design of the Central Tree Middle School in Rutland has been honored for design and for a post-occ evaluation by *Design Share* and by *School Construction News*... **Symmes Maini & McKee** has announced several promotions: new principals are Richard Croswell PE, **Robert Fournier AIA**, Ara Krafian PE, PMP and Brian Lawlor PE; new senior associates are Carlos Charry IT, Edward Dalton PE, Peter Glick PE, Brad Hodges PE and David Stone IIDA, IFMA; and new associates are architectural designers Michael Capone, Martine Dion, and Joseph LeClair, spec wizard Margery Morgan and human-resources professional Margo Higgins... The new annual edition of *Boston Design* is out and BSA members are well-represented: **Jan Gleysteen Architects**, **Doreve Nicholaeff Architect**, **LDA Architects**, **Siemasko + Verbridge**, **CBT** and the **Luna Design Group** are all featured... **Henry Chao AIA** is leaving Boston for a new role as principal at NBBJ in Columbus... **Gorman Richardson Architects** has moved to 77 Main St., Hopkinton 01748 (same phone/same fax)... **TRO** and The Abaris Group recently presented a series of seminars in several cities throughout the U.S. on healthcare emergency department operations and design... **Wilson Pollock FAIA** was the keynote speaker for BOMA's Boston symposium in September... **Graham Gund FAIA** was the guest lecturer on "fostering community" at the University of New Hampshire/AIA New Hampshire series on "Architecture for a Better New Hampshire" and was the guest on Cleveland radio's "Access to the Arts" program hosted by *Cleveland Plain Dealer* architecture critic Steven Litt; the firm also has announced the appointment of Christa Mahar as the new Director of Marketing... **Bergmeyer Associates** has been honored by the Assisted-Living Federation of America for the firm's renovation of the Harborlight House in Beverly; **Joseph Nevin, Jr. AIA** has been named to the Editorial Advisory Board of *Display and Design Ideas* magazine... Among the 50 fastest-growing US design firms, according to *The Zweig Letter*, are several Boston players: **S E A Consultants**

Hideo Sasaki

Hideo Sasaki, the internationally renowned landscape architect and planner who founded Sasaki Associates in Watertown, died recently in California; he was 80. In its report, *The Boston Globe* noted that Sasaki, a long-time resident of Lexington, "helped to pioneer change in the art and teaching of landscape design" through Sasaki Associates and through his role as department chair at Harvard's Department of Landscape Architecture. (He founded Sasaki Associates in 1953 and began teaching at Harvard a few years later.) As the *Globe* reported, Sasaki influenced the theory, methodology and values of landscape architecture in an extraordinarily positive way. In 1961, Sasaki was appointed by President Kennedy to the US Commission of Fine Arts. He was honored extensively by the architecture and landscape architecture professions and his firm lives on in Watertown.

(#9), **Shooshanian Engineering** (#17), **Gensler** (#18), and **Einhorn Yaffee Prescott** (#19)... In recent issues of *The Boston Globe*, **Robert Campbell FAIA** writes on Harvard's interesting design experiment at 95 Mt. Auburn St. in Cambridge where he finds Hans Hollein and **Bruner/Cott** aggressively moving outside the Harvard Square box; **Campbell** is a good deal less flattering about the new Tate Modern art museum in London but has nothing but high praise for "A Civic Vision for Turnpike Air Rights in Boston", the report produced by the blue-ribbon task force chaired by **David Lee FAIA**; and a recent issue of *The New York Times Book Review* includes Campbell's review of the poetry of Stanley Kunitz... In other recent issues, the *Globe* highlights the work of **Morse Payne FAIA** (his extraordinary analysis of the geography of Boston and Cambridge); and recent issues of *The Boston Globe Magazine* feature the residential design work of **TIA Architects** and **Gorman Richardson Architects**... In recent issues, *Banker & Tradesman* published a special feature on **Brian Healy AIA**, **David Lee FAIA**'s editorial on neighborhood investment opportunities in Boston, and architecture critic **Jeff Stein AIA**'s assessment of the new Northeastern University dorms designed by **William Rawn Associates**... In its 9/00 issue, *Architecture* magazine features the work of **Thompson and Rose** (the new Gulf Coast Museum of Art) and publishes a letter from **Jeremy Scott Wood AIA** on Hejduk's impact on the profession... In recent issues, *Architectural Record* has focused on the role of **Elkus/Manfredi** in the design of retail space in New York City's Columbus Center (designed by SOM) and the firm's role in developing a masterplan for CIGNA's campus in Connecticut; the magazine also has highlighted the work of **Schwartz/Silver**

Architects (the addition to HHR's Ames Library in North Easton), **Payette Associates** (the extraordinary staircase in the Duke University Medical Sciences Research Building) and **Evan Shu AIA** (his analysis of "offline" Web pages)... **Amy Burpee, Affil.** BSA has joined Tishman Construction as Assistant Marketing Manager.

New Work

William Wilson Associated Architects has completed design of Vanderbilt University's new engineering building and Jacobs Hall addition and renovation... **J. Stewart Roberts Associates** is designing the Acton Congregational Church, renovating the Noyes Elementary School in Sudbury, and designing the new Bethlehem Public Library in New York... **The Architect's Studio** is designing the Lantana function facility's new facade in Randolph... **Architectural Resources Cambridge** is renovating Berkley Corp.'s office building in Connecticut... **DiMella Shaffer** is designing a new corporate HQ for Decision Resources at the former Howard Clock Factory in Waltham for National Development... **CBT** has completed design of Trinity Place in Boston's Copley Square... **Archdesign** has completed design of a new indoor "kart" racing facility in Braintree... **Gail Sullivan Associates** is designing The John E. Williams Community Center for the Warren Gardens Residences' Association in Roxbury... **HMFH** is designing a new downtown Boston facility for the Media and Technology Charter High School... **George A. Roman & Associates** is designing the renovation of Building 7 at Franciscan Children's Hospital in Brighton... **Paul Lukez Architecture** has completed design of the Monsoon Restaurant in Lebanon NH... **Cambridge Seven Associates** has completed renovations of the Seales Science Building at Bowdoin and has completed renovations of the Harvard Law School faculty offices... **BPG/Bluestone Planning Group** is preparing a downtown and riverfront plan for historic Natchez, brownfield redevelopment plans for Little Rock and Joliet, a transit-oriented development masterplan for the Alewife section of Cambridge, design services for the Providence Capital Center Commission, village district plans for Shrewsbury, and a corridor zoning plan for North Main Street in Winchester... **William Rawn Associates** has completed work on The Summit Suites and Tower at Trinity College... **CBT** is designing its new office at 110 Canal Street in Boston... **TRO** has completed design of the Dale Medical Surgery Center in Alabama... **Bruner/Cott** is the lead planner for the renovation and expansion of The Children's Museum in Boston and is designing the new Congregation Or Atid synagogue in Sudbury... **Ellenzweig**



Robert Neiley AIA, one of Boston's extraordinary architectural treasures, was honored last month by the City of Cambridge for his uncommon service as a member of the Cambridge Historical Commission.



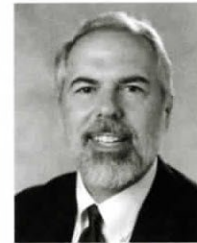
Sho-Ping Chin AIA has been named a principal at **Payette Associates**.



John Benson AIA has joined **Flansburgh Associates** as Director of Planning.



Alberto Salvatore AIA has been named a principal at **TRO**.



Michael Hand AIA has been named a principal at **Cannon Design**.

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Associates has designed the Naito Chemistry Building at Harvard and is designing phase two of the University of Massachusetts Engineering and Computer Science complex in Amherst...**ADD Inc** has completed work on the expansion of CVS' Store Support Center in Rhode Island...**David Perry Architects** and The Halvorson Company are doing the masterplan and providing design services for renovations or new construction for the First Parish Unitarian-Universalist Church parish house and other facilities in Framingham...**Bergmeyer Associates** has completed new corporate offices for NerveWire in Newton and is designing the repositioning of Independence Wharf in Boston, a prototype store for FAO Schwartz, and Select Service Partners' first US multi-unit food service concessions at the Detroit Wayne County Airport...**Architectural Partners** is designing the new Shiplake Village townhouse development in Medford.

Corporate Affiliates

A.J. Martini General Contractors is building CBT's new offices in downtown Boston...**Richard White Sons** served as CM for the award-winning Nicholas Athletic Center designed by Chan Krieger...**Elaine Construction** is CM for Sovereign Bank's renovations at 75 State Street in Boston and is completing office renovations for Lucent Technology in Cambridge (Process Facilities is the architect)...**Judith Nitsch Engineering** is designing the Mass. College of Art's North Hall with William Sloan Associates...**Linbeck/Kennedy & Rossi** has named new officers: John Kennedy (Executive VP), William Morash (VP/Project Director), David Stueckler (VP/Project Director) and Thomas Comeau (VP)...**Shooshanian Engineering** has moved to Suite 210, 88 Black Falcon Ave., Boston 02210/617-210-1600...**Suffolk**

BSA Corporate Advisory Council

The 2000 BSA Corporate Advisory Council (industry leaders who advise the BSA Board of Directors) are Stan Durlacher (Carlisle Consulting Group), Gayle Friedland (Forest City Development), Kevin Hines (Richard White Sons), Marty Holloran (AHA Consulting Engineers), John Messervy AIA (Partners HealthCare), Judith Nitsch, P.E. (Judith Nitsch Engineering), Kathy Spiegelman (Harvard University), Gary Vanderweil P.E. (Vanderweil Engineers), and Lisa Wexler (Elaine Construction). For information on the Corporate Advisory Council, write/call Richard Fitzgerald at the BSA (rfitzgerald@architects.org) 617-951-1433x232).

Construction's recent and current work includes Wilkes Passage condos in Boston (Whitney Atwood Norcross is the architect), the 90 Tremont Street Hotel in Boston (Tsoi/Kobus is the architect), Abbey South Auditorium in Florida (Donahue & Associates is the architect) and Mangrove Bay senior residences in Florida (Mann, Gin, Dubin and Frazier is the architect)...**John Roll & Associates** is designing signage and graphics for the Princeton University campus with landscape architect Quenell Rothschild, the Bryn Mawr College campus with Buell Kratzer Powell Architects, Seaport Center West with Kallmann McKinnell and Wood, and Strathmore Concert Hall in Baltimore with William Rawn Associates...**Wrenn Associates** is building a new Circuit City Superstore in Taunton with Schnee Architects...**Carr Enterprises'** recent and current work includes Cape Cod Academy's lower school addition (Charles Bellingrath AIA is the architect), renovations of Stearns House at Phillips Academy, cafeteria renovations at The Pingree School, building "S" renovations at MIT's Lincoln Labs, ramp and entry

renovations for the Brighton Marine Health Center, tenant fit-up for Lucent Net Care in Burlington and for Brookstone Properties in Andover, and building rehab for Oasis Development's Belkins Building in Lynn...**Tocci Building Corp.** has completed work on Pineview continuing-care retirement community in Connecticut designed by Lantz-Boggio Architects...**Consigli Construction's** recent and current work includes a design/build office and distribution center for The Holmes Group of Milford (AM Design Architects was the designer), an office and manufacturing addition for Plexus Electronic Assembly of Ayer (Gorman Richardson Architects is the designer), interior lobby renovations for L. Knife of Kingston (Signer Harris is the designer), a light industrial office facility for Quality Components of Holliston, an office and manufacturing facility for Temp-Flex Cable of Grafton (Pepin Associates was the architect) and an addition and renovation for Mercury Wire Products of Spencer (Lamoureux Pagano and Associates is the architect)...**Carol R. Johnson Associates** is currently working with ADD Inc and Berkeley Investments on Wellington IV, a telecom-provider hotel in Medford...**Dimeo Construction's** recent and current work includes a new corporate HQ for Beacon Mutual Insurance in Rhode Island (Robinson Green Beretta is the architect) and renovations and additions to the Hospital of St. Raphael in New Haven (The S/L/A/M Collaborative is the architect)...**Siena Construction's** recent and current work includes phase 2 of the Timberland facility in New Hampshire (Spagnolo/Gisness & Associates is the architect), Phyllos' facility in Lexington (Olson Lewis and Dioli is the architect), and office renovations for Curis (DTS Shaw is the architect)...**Prior Engineering's** current work includes tenant fit-up for Cambridge Strategic Management Group at One Boston Place (McMahon Architects is the designer), tenant fit-up at 20 Custom House Street in Boston for R.R. Donnelley & Sons (Renaissance Studio of Chicago is the architect), new MRI facilities in Boston and Worcester (Hartford Associates is the architect), renovations of several suites at Boston Medical Center (NEMD and Trapani Associates are the architects) and tenant fit-up at 500 Boylston Street for Manulife Financial (GHK is the architect)...**Payton Construction's** recent and current work includes tenant improvements for Financial Fusion in Watertown (Fuller Associates is the architect), a new middle school in Kennebunk ME (SMRT is the architect), Merrill Lynch offices in Portland ME (Caswell Corporate Interiors is the architect), Atlantic Regional Federal Credit Union's loan center in Brunswick ME (Gawron Architects is the designer) and tenant improvements for Stroudwater Crossing



Haley & Aldrich reports that Denise Coleman (above) is the new Business Development VP and James DiVito (below) is the new Human Resources VP.



Henry Faaland (above) has been named the new Recruiter of the BSA-related full-time and temporary placement service, Consulting For Architects (CFA). After three years at HOK in San Francisco providing in-house staffing and human resources assistance, Faaland came to CFA two years ago to direct the CFA/CADD Training Center in Boston. Regular ChapterLetter readers will also recall that CFA Founder David McFadden and his staff have been providing staffing and software solutions for New England design firms for the past decade through their office in The Architects Building. For more information about CFA, write/call Faaland at hfaaland@cons4arch.com 800-413-4856.



top row: Diggs, Spellmeyer, Lukenda, Hedstrom; middle row: Couture, McReavy-Kenney, Bridge-Denzak; bottom row: McLaughlin, Eom, Snyder

Carol R. Johnson Associates has announced the following promotions: Stacey Bridge-Denzak, Jeanne Lukenda and Peter Spellmeyer (Senior Associates); Kristine McReavy-Kenney (Associate); and Kristen Couture, Bernard Diggs, Joo Young Eom, Sara Hedstrom, Jennifer McLaughlin and Howard Snyder (Senior LAs)

in Portland ME (Thomas J. Spugnardi is the architect); new company staff members include Robin Leonard (project account executive), Denise Parker (assistant project manager), Andrew Burns (project manager), David Harpine and Stephen Gwarjanski (superintendents) and Susan Grealy (human resources)... **Edwards and Kelcey** has announced its merger with CID Associates... **F.H. Perry Builder** has been named to Qualified Remodeler's Top 500 remodeling firms in the U.S. this year... **Lee Kennedy Co.**'s current work includes office fit-out for Investors Bank & Trust in the Hancock Tower (Davis & Associates is the architect), a Wesleyan University dorm renovation with Centerbrook Architects, interior renovation and foundation replacement for Harvard at 53-53/A Church Street with BTA Architects and office fit-up for MCI in the Pru Tower with Dyer/Brown; Don Giumetti is the company's new Director of Business Development... **Spaulding & Slye Colliers'** recent and current work includes interior construction for Legg Mason Wood Walker at 265

Franklin Street in Boston (Dyer/Brown is the architect), lab renovations for W.R. Grace in Cambridge (Lapis Architecture is the designer), base-building construction of an office building for Van Degraaf Partners in Burlington (Spagnolo/Gisness is the architect), Allaire Corp.'s HQ in Newton (Margulies & Associates is the architect), interior construction for PrimeStreet's office in downtown Boston (Walsh/Cochis is the architect), interior construction for Organic's office in downtown Boston (Gensler is the architect), a design/build project for Shuster Labs' interior lab in Canton (Payette Associates is the architect), interior construction of a data center for MCI in Nashua, and interior construction of office and lab space for Laser Sharp in Hopkinton (Gensler is the architect); Ralph Cox has joined the company as Senior VP in Development Services... **Souza, True and Partners** is currently working on the construction of additions and renovations at Paige Academy in Roxbury with Gail Sullivan Associates, the Wareham Street lofts with Hacin & Associates, and the Acushnet

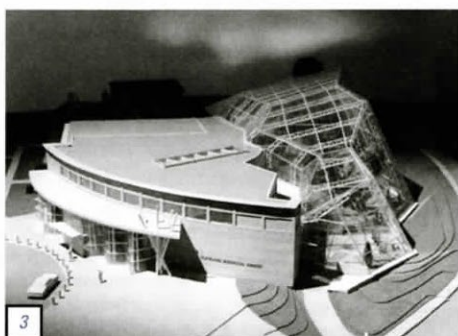
Elementary School with the Mount Vernon Group... **Seaver Construction** is GC for the Acton Animal Clinic addition and renovations (Incite Architects is the designer)... **George B.H. Macomber Co.**'s John Henderson recently led a course at GSD on healthy design and construction processes; Ken Stowe was the guest speaker at an AIA conference in Oregon on building design team collaboration and he recently published an article on expansion and renovation projects in *College Planning & Management Magazine*; Amy VanDoren is a panelist in a Build Boston workshop on growth industries in Massachusetts.

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Bond Bros. has announced the hiring of these new professionals (top to bottom): Paul Ferolito, Jr. (Director of Operations), Michael Bourgeois (project engineer), Marc Pelletier (Director of Business Development) and Project Managers Akbar Olia and Kevin Cooke



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1 — Jung/Brannen is designing the new northeast HQ for Intuit...photo by Richard Mandelkorn

2 — Flansburgh Associates is renovating the Kennedy Middle School and four elementary schools in Waltham and has completed work on the Ferryway School (above) in Malden for grades K-8...photo by Steve Rosenthal

3 — Graham Gund Architects is designing the new Cleveland Botanical Garden...photo by Peter Vanderwarker

4 — Symmes Maini & McKee has designed the new Nokia House-Boston regional HQ in Burlington...photo by Edward Jacoby

5 — Beacon Skanska is building the new Mass. College of Art residence hall on Huntington Avenue (designed by Kyu Sung Woo Architect and Rothman Partners)

6 — HMFH's McCallie School-McDonald Hall in Tennessee and the Healey School (left) in Somerville have been honored with design awards by AS&U magazine and are featured in the November issue of that publication...photo by Anton Grassl

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